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In re Reissue Application Serial No. 09/267,025 for Reissue of

U.S. Patent No. 5,609,938

Reissue Application Serial No. 09/267,025

Filed: March 11, 1999 Patentee: Shields, Rodney

Title: Image Display Apparatus with Holes

For Opposite Side Viewing

PETITION FOR THE INSTITUTION OF PUBLIC USE PROCEEDINGS UNDER 37 CFR 1.292

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231 Attn: Robert Spar, Esq. Office of Petitions Box DAC

Sir:

Petition is hereby respectfully made under 37 CFR 1.292 for institution of Public Use Proceedings regarding the above cited application Serial No. 09/267,025, filed March 11, 1999, for reissue of US Patent No. 5,609,938 (Shields) (hereinafter referred to as the '938 patent). The urgent and compelling basis for such proceedings is set forth below.

Grant of this Petition is both necessary and appropriate. Petitioner, and indeed the Patent Office, are entitled to the full and fair opportunity afforded by Public Use Proceedings for a clear demonstration that the claimed invention was in use and the subject of a commercial offer for sale, more than one year before the original application, which issued into the '938 patent, was filed. Therefore, reissue is barred by 35 U.S.C. 102(b) and the public policy which undergirds it.